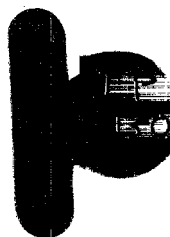


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Project: IP-150

OFFICE OF REPORTS AND ESTIMATES

Project Initiation Memorandum

Date: 18 Aug 50

To: D/LA

From: Publications Division, Projects Planning

Subject: Dominican Newspapers

Statement of Project

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Origin: Internal

Problem: To provide information on two Dominican Newspapers

Scope: Information as available
as do political leanings
editors
of El Caribe
La Nacion

Graphics (if any): —

Form: Memo. [Please note: Original & 2 carbons are required on all
IP memos]

Draft due in D/Pub: early convenience

Dissemination deadline
(if any):

Responsible Division: D/LA

Internal Coordination: None

Departmental responsibilities: None

Classification to be no higher than: ~~Confidential~~ Secret

Recommended Dissemination: Requester only.

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1. Newspapers - Dominican Republic
2. Dominican Republic - Pol. & govt.

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10 August 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: D/PUB, ORE 25X1A
ATTENTION : [REDACTED]
SUBJECT : EL CARIBE and LA NACION, Newspapers in Dominican Republic
REFERENCE : [REDACTED] 25X1A

1. This office has a routine requirement for the following information on two subject newspapers:

- a. Their political leanings
- b. Their editors

2. Any questions pertaining to this request may be referred to [REDACTED] of this office, extension 3215.

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Chief, D/Pub (Attn: Projects Planning)

23 August 1950

Chief, D/LA

File 25X1A Political Leanings of Dominican Newspapers, La Nacion and El Caribe

REFERENCE: Your IP-150, [REDACTED] our project No. 56

1. Both of these papers are so thoroughgoing in their support of Trujillo that they can be considered administration mouthpieces. The publisher of El Caribe is Anselmo Paulino, long an intimate of Trujillo. While Paulino has no official status in the government at present, he is still close to the president. In accordance with Trujillo's policies, both papers are very vocal in their support of the UN, in their denunciations of Communism, in their advocacy of another term for Trujillo, in their dislike of Guatemala's President Arevalo and Yugoslavia's Tito, and in praising Truman's policies. El Caribe still nurses a lingering resentment against Secretary Acheson for his disapproval last December of Trujillo's request for war powers, but by and large both papers are thoroughly pro-US, while never overlooking any item that might redound to the glory of the Dominican Republic or its present government.

2. Samples of editorial themes selected at random follow:

a. La Nacion — Trujillo must be re-elected....the UN effort in Korea should be supported....Guatemala is the center of USSR Caribbean activity....Odria will prove a fine president for Peru....MacArthur showed fine leadership in outlawing Jap Communist Party....Arbenz' "anti-Imperialist" campaign slogan in Guatemala is reprehensible....western powers cannot afford laissez-faire attitude vis-à-vis international communism....Puerto Rican independence is desirable....(Jose Pepper is the paper's arch anti-communist editorialist.)

b. El Caribe — there is a popular movement against the "worm-eaten cement of the hated regime" of Arevalo....the Cuban Communist Party is sending aid to North Korea....election of Dominican as President of UN Trustee Council a victory for international policies of Trujillo....the Inter-American Highway must be completed....the junta was well justified in ousting Haiti's Estimé....Trujillo must be re-elected....the UN Korean effort must be supported....the social accomplishments of Trujillo's government are tremendous.

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